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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

"The Rich Don't Pay Taxes"

By Paul Craig Roberts

This April 15 is the 95th year that Americans have had to pay the federal income tax. For most, the day is a non-event. The government has already withheld the tax from each paycheck. Most Americans never saw the money and have no real idea that they earned it.

The 16th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified because the income tax was "only for the rich." Some states ratified the amendment because no one in the state had an income high enough to be subject to the tax.

According to the Department of the Treasury's history of the income tax less than one percent of the population was subject to the income tax, on incomes over \$500,000, a great sum of money in those days.

In the first income tax year the world's richest person, John D. Rockefeller, paid \$2 million, almost 3 percent of the total collected.

People were happy. They had finally gotten the rich.

But by 1918 the exemption was lowered and tax rates has risen from 6 percent to 77 percent; people whose incomes were initially exempt now paid at more than double the rate that had applied to John D. Rockefeller.

In "free" America today ordinary Americans have no more claim to their own labor than a medieval serf. Most are content to hand over 30 percent of their income as long as they hope to tax the rich at 50 percent, the tax rate on 19th-century slaves.

Some 19th-century slaves, whose skills were worth more off the plantation than on it, were leased to others. Half of the slave's wages were

paid to the owner. Out of the remainder, slaves could save enough to purchase their freedom.

Today, we cannot purchase our freedom from the IRS. The only free Americans are those who work off the books or live on public welfare.

People who doubt this can try refusing the government's claim on their labor. They will find the IRS to be just as ruthless as the worst feudal lord or slave owner.

For many Americans freedom is not as important as "fairness," by which is meant a more equal distribution of income. However, a number of studies indicate that a progressive income tax doesn't achieve the kind of leveling that some desire. Moreover, rich and poor are not static groups. Studies have discovered that there is a great deal of movement between the income quintiles. Some people rise, some people fall, and some rise again. The same people do not inhabit the same quintile year after year.

Government does not seem to be the answer. Indeed, some of the largest incomes result from collusion with government, such as the Clinton/Bush financial deregulation that produced the world's first annual incomes of \$1 billion.

The desire to tax the rich has caused a concentration of less accountable power. The estate tax, created in 1916, forced family businesses, media, and farms into large corporate conglomerates. The corporate media, and the animal, chicken, and egg farming, with its inhumane conditions, antibiotics, and waste concentrations that pollute the environment, and large scale chemical fertilizer farming that pollutes rivers are,

in part, unintended consequences of taxation aimed at the rich.

A mainstay of class war is the propaganda that "the rich don't pay taxes." This myth lives on despite IRS data that proves the contrary. In 2006, Americans in the top 1 percent earned 22.1 percent of adjusted gross income and paid 39.9 percent of all federal individual income taxes.

The top 5 percent, defined as rich by President Obama, paid 60.1 percent of all federal individual income taxes. The top 10 percent paid 71 percent.

Americans in the bottom half of the income distribution paid less than 3 percent of the total individual income tax.

The immunity of many Americans to facts is impressive. Just as many continue to believe that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction, many Americans still believe that "the rich don't pay taxes."

Patriot prisoner undergoing "diesel therapy" – Help needed

Dear LWRN and Truth Attack supporters and other Patriots,

Sherry Peel Jackson is in dire need of your help!

Sherry has been a Certified Public Accountant since 1987, a Certified Fraud Examiner since 2001, and was an IRS agent from January 1988 through May 1995. But after exposing government lies concerning the federal income tax, Sherry is now a political prisoner, sentenced to 4 years for trying to educate her fellow Americans. Sherry appeared in Aaron Russo's documentary, *America: Freedom to Fascism*. She recognized early on the importance of a Patriot-

controlled radio network, and so she appeared in the video promoting Liberty Works Radio Network. (You can watch it at www.lwrn.net.)

But apparently the government is not satisfied with merely separating her from her husband Colin and children. Sherry has reported since the beginning of her incarceration of deplorable conditions that were affecting her health. The prison system's denial of necessary medical care contributed to Sherry's health deteriorating to the point that Colin put out an appeal to the Patriot community to not only continue praying for Sherry, but also to contact her Congressional representatives. That effort brought attention to her plight, and by mid-December, Colin reported that Sherry's health was improving, but that she had been moved to a different facility, this one in Tallahassee. (Her address there is: Sherry Peel Jackson, 59085019, FCI Tallahassee, 501 Capital Circle, NE, Tallahassee, FL 32301.)

However, the story doesn't end there. Because now it looks like the Bureau of Prisons, to retaliate for the unwanted attention to their mistreatment of Sherry, has put her on what is called "diesel therapy," whereby they bus her from prison to prison. This not only adversely affects one's health, but also prevents contact with family and friends. Consequently, Colin has not been able to communicate with Sherry or to otherwise monitor her health and treatment.

We must continue to apply pressure to the Bureau of Prisons through not only Sherry's Congressional representatives, but through your own as well. Pasted below you will find the links to the U.S. Senate and House websites that will help you find your own representatives. But take heed to this reminder from Colin Jackson, in his December 17th update:

"I feel the need to ask you to please, when you are corresponding with the prison, our Congressman and others, to be very clear but cordial. I do understand the emotions that come when you learn of wrongdoings and how you want to express those emotions. But, when anger and vile is expressed in those letters and phone calls, it works against what we are trying to accomplish. I pray and hope that you understand my position and that you will keep these things in mind as you continue to send letters and place phone calls for her freedom."

As part of the effort to bring attention to Sherry's plight, some of the Liberty Works Radio Network hosts will

be interviewing Colin Jackson. Show your support by tuning in either to WIFL 104.3 FM in the Ocala area of Florida, and if you are not in the WIFL broadcasting area, over the Internet on www.lwrn.net by clicking on the listen live button and the bottom of the home page.

Let Sherry know that she is not forgotten. Do whatever you can to help.

Sincerely, John Baptist
Kotmair, Jr., Fiduciary
Liberty Works Radio Network
Proclaiming Liberty
Throughout The Land
-- situation as of January 9, 2009

Giving the IRS a New Year they will never forget

Here's how I propose we give the IRS a New Year they will never forget; go to our own Collection Due Process Hearing (CDPH) armed to the teeth with everything we can to enable us to get them prosecuted criminally because they failed to perform any of the duties of their office under 26 USC § 7214 for:

1) failing or neglecting to send a Uniform Acknowledgment Letter timely, or any other failure or neglect to perform a duty under 26 USC § 7214(a)(3); or,

2) for making or signing a fraudulent entry or statement; i.e. a notice of determination in a CDPH under 26 USC § 7214(a)(7); or,

3) in the unlikely event the hearing officer does nothing wrong, put the criminal misdeeds of other IRS personnel on the hearing officer's plate in the form of a hearing issue and see if they, having knowledge or information of the violation of any revenue law by any person, fail to report, in writing, such knowledge or information to the Secretary under 26 USC § 7214(a)(8).

There is still another way to give IRS personnel a New Year that they will never forget, and that is to get them FIRED using Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 § 1203 TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR MISCONDUCT for:

1) the violation of any right under the Constitution of the United States under § 1203(b)(3)(A); or,

2) violations of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Department of Treasury regulations, or policies of the Internal Revenue Service (including the Internal Revenue Manual) for the purpose of retaliating against, or harassing, a taxpayer, taxpayer

representative, or other employee of the Internal Revenue Service under § 1203(b)(6).

To accomplish this, we are going to have to know what their duties are as well or better than they do. I put five free videos on my blog in two different posts here: <http://legalbearsblog.com/2010/01/why-not-arm-yourself-to-the-teeth-for-your-collection-due-process-hearing>

Follow me on Twitter:
www.twitter.com/legalbear Thanks!
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Joe Stack of San Marcos

Joseph Andrew Stack, a Texas man with a serious grudge against the Internal Revenue Service, has left a lot of innocent people in his wake, according to Austin authorities.

Authorities said that 13 people were hurt - two critically - after Stack deliberately flew a small plane into a building where the IRS had about 200 workers.

Authorities said that Stack worked alone. He was presumed dead, and police said they had not recovered his body.

The FBI believes that Stack left a twisted suicide note / bomber's manifesto on the Web two days before the crash in which he ranted against the IRS, the Catholic Church, tax loopholes, bailouts and his own sorry state of affairs.
-- www.cbsnews.com/blogs/2010/2/18
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If you're reading this, you're no doubt asking yourself, "Why did this have to happen?" The simple truth is that it has been coming for a long time. The writing process, started many months ago, was intended to be therapy in the face of the looming realization that there isn't enough therapy in the world that can fix what is really broken. Needless to say, this rant could fill volumes if I would let it. I find the process of writing it frustrating, tedious, and probably pointless... especially given my gross inability to gracefully articulate my thoughts in light of the storm raging in my head. Exactly what is therapeutic about that I'm not sure, but desperate times call for desperate measures.

We are all taught as children that without laws there would be no society, only anarchy. Sadly, starting at early ages we have been brainwashed to believe that, in return for our dedication and service, our government stands for justice for all. We are further brainwashed to believe that there is

freedom in this place, and that we should be ready to lay our lives down for the noble principals represented by its founding fathers. Remember? One of these was "no taxation without representation". These days anyone who really stands up for that principal is promptly labeled a "crackpot", traitor and worse....

How can any rational individual explain our tax system and, indeed, our entire legal system? Here we have a system that is, by far, too complicated for the brightest of the master scholars to understand. Yet, it mercilessly "holds accountable" its victims, claiming that they're responsible for fully complying with laws not even the experts understand. The law "requires" a signature on the bottom of a tax filing; yet no one can say truthfully that they understand what they are signing; if that's not "duress" then what is. If this is not the measure of a totalitarian regime, nothing is.

How did I get here?

Around 1984 after engineering school and still another five years of "paying my dues", I felt I finally had to take a chance of launching my dream of becoming an independent contract software engineer.

But two years later, thanks to the fine backroom, midnight effort by the sleazy executives of Arthur Andersen (who later brought us Enron and other such calamities) and an equally sleazy Senator (Patrick Moynihan), we saw the passage of 1986 tax reform act with its section 1706.

For you who are unfamiliar, here is the core text of the IRS Section 1706, defining the treatment of workers (such as contract engineers) for tax purposes. Visit this link for a conference committee report (<http://www.synergistech.com/1706.sht> ml#ConferenceCommitteeReport) regarding the intended interpretation of Section 1706 and the relevant parts of Section 530, as amended. For information on how these laws affect technical services workers and their clients, read our discussion here (<http://www.synergistech.com/ic-taxlaw.shtml>).

SEC. 1706. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN TECHNICAL PERSONNEL. (a) IN GENERAL - Section 530 of the Revenue Act of 1978 is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

(d) EXCEPTION. - This section shall not apply in the case of an individual who pursuant to an arrangement between the taxpayer and another person, provides services for

such other person as an engineer, designer, drafter, computer programmer, systems analyst, or other similarly skilled worker engaged in a similar line of work.

The bottom line is that they may as well have put my name right in the text of section (d). Moreover, they could only have been more blunt if they would have come out and directly declared me a criminal and non-citizen slave.

During 1987, I spent close to \$5000 of my 'pocket change', and at least 1000 hours writing, printing, and mailing to any senator, congressman, governor, or slug that might listen; none did, and they universally treated me as if I was wasting their time.

After months of struggling it had clearly gotten to be a futile exercise. The best we could get for all of our trouble is a pronouncement from an IRS mouthpiece that they weren't going to enforce that provision (read harass engineers and scientists). This immediately proved to be a lie, and the mere existence of the regulation began to have its impact on my bottom line; this, of course, was the intended effect.

Rewind my retirement plans back to 0 and shift them into idle. If I had any sense, I should have abandoned engineering and never looked back.

Instead I got busy working 100-hour workweeks. Then came the L.A. depression of the early 1990s and I'm thinking that it might be good for a change. Bye to California, I'll try Austin for a while, where I've never experienced such a hard time finding work.

To survive, I was forced to cannibalize my savings and retirement, the last of which was a small IRA. This came in a year with mammoth expenses and not a single dollar of income. I filed no return thinking that because I didn't have any income there was no need. The sleazy government disagreed. But they didn't notify me in time for me to launch a legal objection so when I attempted to get a protest filed with the court I was told I was no longer entitled to due process because the time to file ran out. Bend over for another \$10,000 helping of justice.

I know I'm hardly the first one to decide I have had all I can stand. It has always been a myth that people have stopped dying for their freedom in this country, and it isn't limited to the blacks, and poor immigrants. I know there have been countless before me and there are sure to be as many after. But I also know that by not adding my body to the count, I insure nothing will

change. I choose to not keep looking over my shoulder at "big brother" while he strips my carcass; I have just had enough.

I can only hope that the American zombies wake up and revolt; it will take nothing less. Sadly, though I spent my entire life trying to believe it wasn't so, but violence not only is the answer, it is the only answer. The cruel joke is that the really big chunks of s*** at the top have known this all along and have been laughing at, and using this awareness against fools like me all along.

I saw it written once that the definition of insanity is repeating the same process over and over and expecting the outcome to suddenly be different. I am finally ready to stop this insanity. Well, Mr. Big Brother IRS man, let's try something different; take my pound of flesh and sleep well.

The communist creed: From each according to his ability, to each according to his need.

The capitalist creed: From each according to his gullibility, to each according to his greed. Joe Stack (1956-2010)

Ed: The Web domain that the note above was posted on is registered to Joe Stack of San Marcos. A man by the same name, who has addresses in both Austin and San Marcos has been linked to today's airplane crash.

Conservative talking head O'Reilly backs emergency gun confiscation

Following Hurricane Katrina, many New Orleans residents armed themselves to protect their lives and property against looters, arsonists and other criminals.

However, just when they needed their guns the most, New Orleans's Police Superintendent ordered their confiscation, allegedly under a state emergency-powers law. An NRA lawsuit stopped the seizures, and subsequent NRA-backed legislation ensured the gun confiscation travesty would not repeat itself.

Still, many states have "emergency powers" laws that give the government permission to suspend or limit gun sales, and to prohibit or restrict citizens from transporting or carrying firearms. In some states, authorities are authorized to seize guns outright from citizens who've committed no crime, leaving them defenseless against disorder.

Recently a state of emergency was declared in King, North Carolina following a relatively heavy snowstorm.

As a result, local residents were banned from carrying firearms in their vehicles.

Entering into the fray this week was Bill O'Reilly, host of *The O'Reilly Factor*, on Fox News.

In a February 18 interview with Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes that discussed, in part, the confiscation of legally-owned guns during a declared state of emergency (as was the case in New Orleans), O'Reilly affirmed his support of such confiscations.

When it was explained that state of emergency or not, it's still unconstitutional to confiscate lawfully-owned guns from citizens wanting to defend themselves, the Fox talking head retorts, "That's a pretty extreme position."

Perhaps in your opinion, Bill. But for most law-abiding Americans, the notion that the government can suspend the Constitution and leave citizens without the most effective means of self-defense just because of a snowstorm or hurricane -- well, that would qualify as an extreme position.

NRA-ILA was instrumental in passing H.R. 5013 --the "Disaster Recovery Personal Protection Act," -- federal legislation to protect gun owners' rights during emergencies. NRA-ILA has successfully passed Emergency Powers legislation in 28 states since Hurricane Katrina in 2005, and we will not rest until we reform all emergency powers laws to prohibit these types of arbitrary attacks on Second Amendment rights.

-- NRA-ILA GRASSROOTS ALERT, Vol. 17, No. 7, 2/19/10

White House land grab

By Sen. Jim DeMint

Thanks to whistleblowers at the Department of the Interior, we now learn the Obama administration is planning to increase federal control over land in the West.

A secret administration memo has surfaced revealing plans for the government to seize more than 10 million acres from Montana to New Mexico, halting development of job-creating activities like ranching, forestry, mining and energy.

President Obama could unilaterally designate the lands as "monuments" under the 1906 Antiquities Act.

The 21-page document, marked "Internal Draft-NOT FOR RELEASE," lists 14 properties that "might be good candidates" to grab through presidential proclamation.

Administration officials claim the document is merely the product of a

brainstorming session, but it is a wish list for the environmentalist left.

It says all kinds of animals would be better off, like the coyotes, badgers, grouse, chickens and lizards. But giving the chickens more room to roost is no reason for the government to override states' rights.

Rep. Robert Bishop, Utah Republican, made the memo public because he didn't want another unilateral land grab by the White House, like what happened under Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

-- Washington Times, March 2, 2010

Ed.: this smells like the U.N.'s Agenda 21, whose goal is to drive people off the land into mega-cities, so that animals can roam free.

U.N. hypocrisy on women's rights

By Joseph A. Klein

The United Nations has been busy this week celebrating International Women's Day and convening a conference for the purpose of reviewing the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

Unfortunately, the one place where women will see engrained bad practices in dealing with sexual harassment is the U.N. itself.

A case in point involves a lawsuit brought by an American U.N. employee, Cynthia Brzak, against the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Rudd Lubbers. She claimed that Lubbers improperly touched her at a 2003 business meeting. Lubbers resigned in 2005 because of the scandal. However, he has permanent immunity as an ex-U.N. employee, the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled on March 2, 2010.

If the U.N.'s leadership were serious about gender rights, it could have waived its immunity - or, in this case, its former employee. That did not happen. Reprisals against Ms. Brzak allegedly continue to this day.

Kofi Annan, the former Secretary General, allegedly disregarded the findings of an internal UN investigation and exonerated Lubbers. The current Secretary General, Ban Ki-moon, has allowed the UN's legal staff to vigorously assert the immunity defense rather than waive it.

Ban Ki-moon addressed the International Women's Day gathering, one day after the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' immunity decision shielding the UN and Lubbers from liability came out. Ban Ki-moon said that as a son and husband, a father and grandfather to girls, it is his duty to fight for gender

equality and women's empowerment, which are fundamental to the very identity of the U.N. Well, he can start in his own backyard.

I asked his spokesperson, Martin Nesirky, whether the Secretary General had any comment on the latest development in the sexual harassment case against the U.N. and Lubbers. All Nesirky said was "no comment." When I persisted, he replied with a riddle: "Do we know how long is a string?"

I addressed the same question to Ms. Rachel Mayanja, Special Adviser to the Secretary General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women. She professed ignorance of the facts of the sexual harassment case against the U.N. and Lubbers. She defended the U.N.'s use of immunity "to protect the interests of the organization."

The fact is that the U.N. has a serious problem on its hands with sexual abuse and harassment, most notably in its peace-keeping forces but at high managerial levels as well. Instead of serving as a role model on an issue that it purports to champion, the UN is fighting judicial accountability for the actions of its own employees.

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www.canadafreepress.com/article20634

Right to carry takes effect in national parks

On February 22, RTC went into effect, applying state firearms laws to national parks and wildlife refuges across America.

The law, enacted last May, has so far been without major problems. NPS reports that it has worked with the 493 individual parks, promoting a consistent message on several key points:

*Under the new law, the carrying of firearms is subject to all the firearms laws of the state (or states) where the park is located.

*Park visitors must know and obey state laws, including knowing which state laws apply in parks (such as Yellowstone) that cross state boundaries. (For information on state laws, go to www.nraila.org/gunlaws.)

*The new law affects firearms possession, not use. Laws regarding hunting, poaching, target shooting or any unlawful discharge remain unchanged.

*It will remain unlawful to carry in certain locations, under a separate law that prohibits possession of any firearm in a "federal facility."

-- NRA-ILA GRASSROOTS ALERT, Vol. 17, No. 8, 2/26/10

New tool for finding ammo

A colleague and I authored a tool that helps gun owners comparison shop for ammunition at multiple online retailers at once. It's kind of like Google for finding ammo at the best prices

Right now we check over 20 retailers and have over 200 calibers (rifle and handgun for now) listed. We are planning on adding shotgun ammunition within a few weeks.

Check it out at <http://ammoseek.com/>. We welcome any and all feedback as we are always working to improve it.

Enjoy,
Marc Gallagher, <http://ammoseek.com>

CAIR's Ayloush dupes MSU audience

By Stephen Emerson

Take a Los Angeles-based director of a national Islamist organization and put him before about 50 people at Montana State University, and ... you'd hopefully get an enlightening and candid talk about his faith, his organization and the struggle against radicals.

Instead, Hussam Ayloush, Executive Director for the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) Los Angeles chapter, brought the heavy spin on the topic of "Islam in America".

The daylong conference, hosted by the Muslim Student Association and the University's Diversity Awareness Office, was designed to provide an overview of the basic principles of Islam. Unfortunately Ayloush's presentation misstated several key facts about the Islamic community's genuine struggle with terror.

While speaking on Muslims' views of terrorism, Ayloush claimed: "The reality is, I don't know, I cannot think of one Muslim scholar that I know of, that I have ever heard of, who has actually condoned terrorism..."

This is misleading at best. It ignores the prominent Muslim Brotherhood theologian, Yusuf al-Qaradawi, who has endorsed suicide bombings, including condoning the killing of American troops in Iraq. Leading Shiite scholar and Iranian supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khomeini, and Sheikh Muhammad Sayyed Tantawi, the top Egyptian cleric of Al Azhar University, have both issued calls of support for "martyrdom operations."

In April of 2001 Qaradawi told the Qatari newspaper *Al Raya* suicide bombings "are not suicide operations." Instead, he said: "these are heroic martyrdom operations, and the heroes

who carry them out don't embark on this action out of hopelessness and despair but are driven by an overwhelming desire to cast terror and fear into the hearts of the oppressors."

Ayloush can't plead ignorance here. He cited Qaradawi's views on zakat [alms giving] during a 2002 CAIR Fundraiser and even appeared with the Muslim leader in a photo on CAIR-California's webpage in 2001.

The CAIR representative also ignored endorsements of terrorism from other high-level Islamic scholars, such as Sheikh Faysal Mawlawi, who in a 2003 post on an Islam Online forum, wrote that "we are allowed to kill every Israeli until they stop this mass killing and paganism..."

He misled his Montana State audience a second time when he described Al Qaeda's popular support: "Al Qaeda does not exist openly in any Muslim country. They have to hide in some caves in Afghanistan because there is no country that will take them. Because they cannot operate. They are not popular. What people confuse is there is popularity in the grievances they take up."

It may be true that Al Qaeda does not operate "openly," a reality that has as much to do with the long reach of American Predator strikes as anything else. Ayloush, however, minimized surprisingly deep support and power in some countries.

In Somalia, the Islamist terror group al-Shabaab recently pledged allegiance to Al Qaeda. In Yemen and Pakistan, militants and civilians provide shelter for the group.

According to a recent Pew poll, 51 percent of those in the Palestinian territories said that they have "confidence in Osama bin Laden." In Indonesia, home to the world's largest Muslim population, 24% of the population said that they had confidence in the Al Qaeda leader.

A 2007 Pew study ("Young Muslims: More Observant, More Radical") found that 7 percent of U.S. Muslims between the ages of 18-29 said that they have a "favorable" view of Al Qaeda. That translates to tens of thousands of American Muslim youth who have some sympathy to Al Qaeda.

After five college students disappeared in December and turned up in Pakistan hoping to join the jihad against American troops, Ayloush's bosses at CAIR national announced a recognition that they need to confront radicalism in their own community and "deal with it effectively." Pretending it doesn't exist, or that it lacks support, as Ayloush did before an interfaith

audience, challenges the depth of that commitment.

-- nationalwriterssyndicate.com, Mar. 2, 2010

"Dear Census Bureau"

I pass this along letter on the census for your information, only. I do not counsel anyone to break the law. Of course, I'm not real sure of what the law is. A direct and literal reading of the Constitution it seems to me, a non lawyer, is clear as to what the law is: people are legally obligated, only, to cooperate in a head count for political representation purposes. But, my fear, my expectation, even, is that present courts will not interpret the law in that way, and may instead punish census rebels who refuse to furnish additional required (requested?) information. In any case, the following will undoubtedly be of interest to all people concerned with liberty; I offer it exactly as it was sent to me, Walter Block:

"I compiled this letter and inserted it into the Census envelope, along with my 2010 census form. I marked off that '02 people reside at this address....and, well... read the rest!

"Use this as a template! This is just another small step in which we can show the Feds we won't take this nonsense lying down!"

To Whom it May Concern,

Pursuant to Article I, Section 2, Clause 3 of the Constitution, the only information you are empowered to request is the total number of occupants at this address. My "name, sex, age, date of birth, race, ethnicity, telephone number, relationship and housing tenure" have absolutely nothing to do with apportioning direct taxes or determining the number of representatives in the House of Representatives. Therefore, neither Congress nor the Census Bureau have the constitutional authority to make that information request a component of the enumeration outlined in Article I, Section 2, Clause 3. In addition, I cannot be subject to a fine for basing my conduct on the Constitution because that document trumps laws passed by Congress.

Interstate Commerce Commission v. Brimson, 154 U.S. 447, 479 (May 26, 1894):

"Neither branch of the legislative department [House of Representatives or Senate], still less any merely administrative body [such as the Census Bureau], established by congress, possesses, or can be invested with, a general power of making inquiry into the private affairs of

the citizen. (Kilbourn v. Thompson, 103 U.S. 168, 190. We said in Boyd v. U.S., 116 U. S. 616, 630, 6 Sup. Ct. 524), and it cannot be too often repeated, that the principles that embody the essence of constitutional liberty and security forbid all invasions on the part of government and it's employees of the sanctity of a man's home and the privacies of his life. As said by Mr. Justice Field in *Re Pacific Ry. Commission*, 32 Fed. 241, 250, 'of all the rights of the citizen, few are of greater importance or more essential to his peace and happiness than the right of personal security, and that involves, not merely protection of his person from assault, but exemption of his private affairs, books, and papers from inspection and scrutiny of others. Without the enjoyment of this right, all others would lose half their value.'"

This Supreme Court case has never been overturned.

Respectfully,

A Citizen of the United States of America

-- ronpaul-200@meetup.com on behalf of DarkLaw, 3/9/2010

"Friends" in cyberspace

The Feds are on Facebook. And MySpace, LinkedIn and Twitter, too, going undercover with false online profiles to communicate with suspects and gather private information.

Think you know who's behind that "friend" request? Think again. Your new "friend" just might be the FBI.

An internal Justice Department document, obtained in a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit, makes clear that U.S. agents are logging on surreptitiously to exchange messages with suspects, identify a target's friends or relatives and browse private information such as postings, personal photographs and video clips.

Among other purposes: Investigators can check suspects' alibis by comparing stories told to police with tweets sent at the same time about their whereabouts. Online photos from a suspicious spending spree — people posing with jewelry, guns or fancy cars — can link suspects or their friends to robberies or burglaries.

The Electronic Frontier Foundation, a San Francisco-based civil liberties group, obtained the 33-page document when it sued the agency.

State and local police coordinate their online activities with the Secret Service, FBI and other federal agencies in a strategy known as "deconfliction" to keep out of each other's way.

A decade ago, agents kept watch over AOL and MSN chat rooms to nab sexual predators. But those text-only chat services are old-school compared with today's social media, which contain mountains of personal data, photographs, videos and audio clips — a potential treasure trove of evidence.

The "[Justice Department document] doesn't really discuss any mechanisms for accountability or ensuring that government agents use those tools responsibly," said Marcia Hoffman, a senior EFF attorney.

Covert investigations on social-networking services are legal and governed by internal rules, according to Justice Department officials. But they would not say what those rules are.

In the face-to-face world, agents can't impersonate a suspect's spouse, child, parent or best friend. But online, behind the guise of a social-networking account, they can.

The Justice document describes how Facebook, MySpace and Twitter have interacted with federal investigators: Facebook is "often cooperative with emergency requests." MySpace preserves information about its users indefinitely and even stores data from deleted accounts for one year. But Twitter's lawyers tell prosecutors they need a warrant or subpoena before the company turns over customer information.

MySpace requires a search warrant for private messages less than six months old, according to the company.

The Justice document describes social networks as a "valuable source of info on defense witnesses.... Knowledge is power. ... Research all witnesses on social

networking sites."

But the government warned prosecutors to advise their own witnesses not to discuss cases on social media sites and to "think carefully about what they post."

It also cautioned federal law enforcement officials to think prudently before adding judges or defense counsel as "friends" on these services. "Social networking and the courtroom can be a dangerous combination," the government said.

-- Associated Press, March 16, 2010

Good lawyers, bad judges

"I'm kind of a lawyer hater. Don't get me wrong, we need lawyers. We need them to preserve the rule of law. We need them to defend us if others cheat us, steal from us, or deprive us of our rights. But the legal system is ruinously expensive and too often used to destructive ends. — TV journalist John Stossel speaking for the Institute of Justice, a national group of lawyers defending individual rights. (www.ij.org)

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The Judiciary of the United States is the subtle corps of sappers and miners constantly working under ground to undermine the foundations of our confederated fabric. -- Thomas Jefferson (1820)

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To permit judges to be the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions is a dangerous doctrine. I know of no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves, and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform (them). -- Thomas Jefferson

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The National Association of Pro Se Litigants Inc.'s (www.napsl.org) recent newsletter advises what to do if you want to sue a judge.

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